--- 1/20th Pound - “Series of 1897” - 155 x 15 mm. ---

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/20th pound black strip as follows:

RP-635 - 1/20th pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, 155 x 15 mm. - 4½ mm. ***red controls***

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. There is no way to tell how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

The 155 mm. *horizontal mesh* production copies were being printed by rotary press. The use of *vertical mesh* paper for the 153 mm. *control-free* copies indicates that these were printed by hand press.

--- 1/20th pound black die proof - “CANADA-F-47” ---

RP-635 DP - 1/20th Pound Tobacco, black die proof “CANADA-F-47” on heavy wove paper

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RP-635 PP - 1/20th pound, *imperforate plate proof* mounted on thin cardboard, 153 x 15 mm. design probably printed on *horizontal mesh* wove

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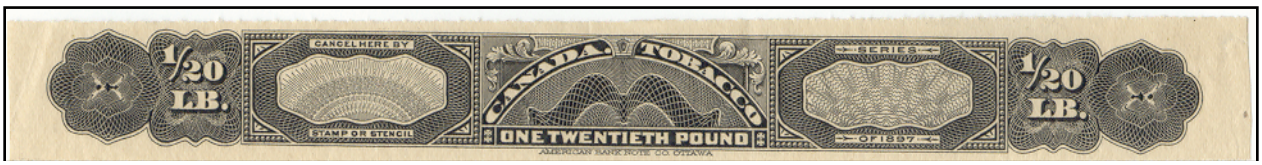
RP-635n - 1/20th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove paper
Stamped **CANCELLED** and **Registered** in violet ink



RP-635n - 1/20th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, 153 x 15 mm. design

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The collection ***does not contain*** a copy of the *coarse roulette* 1/20th pound strip stamped ***Sample*** in violet ink.
WANTED!

--- 1/20th Pound - “Series of 1897” - 155 x 15 mm. ---

--- Recess printed in black ink - *4½ mm. red controls* - scanned at 100% scale ---

--- RP-635 - *coarse roulette* - on <u>horizontal</u> mesh wove - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/20th pound black strip as follows:

RP-635 - 1/20th pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, 155 x 15 mm. - 4½ mm. ***red controls***

RP-635 - 1/20th pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, control number **0620729** - with clipped ends

051730	RP-635	1/20th pound, coarse roulette
0620729 ★	RP-635	1/20th pound, coarse roulette, with ends clipped

The collection *does not contain* a better copy of **RP-635** - the 1/20th pound strip on *horizontal mesh* wove. A good copy is **WANTED!** The illustrated has probably been clipped to fit a small package during the packaging process.

The mesh on these “Series of 1897” small strips is not as obvious as found on the “Series of 1883”. In some cases I have found it difficult to specify the direction of the mesh. As a consequence some of my decisions may be in error and, since the mesh is not so plain, and the difference in the length on these strips is not great.

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